### **MINUTES**

# UTAH MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY BOARD MEETING

## March 14, 2008

Room 474 – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 9:00 A.M. Heber Wells Building Salt Lake City, UT 84111

**CONVENED:** 9:04 A.M. **ADJOURNED:** 11:15 A.M.

**Bureau Manager:** Rich Oborn **Board Secretary:** Lee Avery

**Board Members Present:** James M. Harper, Chairperson

Richard Nielsen Karen Feinauer Lanae Valentine

Members Excused: Jean N. Soderquist

**Guests:** 

**DOPL Staff Present:** David Stanley, Division Director

Susan Higgs, Compliance Specialist Kent Barnes, Compliance Manager

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:** 

**MINUTES:** The minutes from the December 14, 2007 Board

meeting were read. Dr. Nielson motioned to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Ms. Feinauer. The

motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rich Oborn – Personnel Changes Mr. Oborn introduced himself to the Board and briefly

reviewed the changes taken place in this Division.

Mr. Kent Barnes, Compliance Manager

Mr. Barnes briefly reviewed with the Board the Divisions new policy and procedure for tracking

probationers

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Ms. Susan Higgs, Compliance Specialist

Ms. Higgs reviewed the summary sheet and how each file is set up, noting the topics are divided and drug screens will always be in the back with any prescriptions.

#1 Dr. David Gardner, Ms. Higgs reviewed Dr. Gardner's file, noting he is not in compliance. He is required to submit monthly reports and these have not been received however his drug screens have been negative. The Board also briefly discussed Dr. Gardner's health problems.

#2 Suzanne Dastrup, Ms. Higgs briefly reviewed Ms. Dastrup's file and advised the Board Ms. Dastrup is in Compliance with her Stipulation.

Mr. Rich Oborn – Documents submitted by Mr. Larry Danley

Mr. Oborn briefly reviewed additional documents submitted by Mr. Danley.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

Ms. Suzanne L. Dastrup, Probation Interview

Ms. Dastrup presented herself to the Board. Dr. Nielsen conducted the interview. The Board noted Ms. Dastrup's evaluations have been positive. Ms. Dastrup advised the Board she declined a former clients request to start a friendship. Ms. Dastrup continues working with Dr. Smith, he has not visited her in the last quarter however there have been no changes since his last visit. Ms. Dastrup stated she has signed up for a lot of continuing education however she is having a hard time attending meetings. The Board encouraged her to attend with a therapist colleague or Dr. Smith. Sometimes going with someone makes it easier, especially the first time. The Board asked to see Ms. Dastrup in June 2008. In Compliance

Dr. David Gardner, Probation Interview

Dr. Gardner contacted the Division stating he is having vehicle problems and will not be able to keep his appointment with the Board. The Board noted at its meeting in December the Board asked the Division to prepare a non disciplinary surrender order for Dr. Gardner. Mr. Oborn stated Dr. Gardner agreed to

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**DISCUSSION:** 

Larry Danley, Application Review

submit monthly reports and to date the division as not received any. Mr. Oborn stated the Division intended to have him sign this at today's meeting. After a brief discussion, the Board noted Dr. Gardner is not in compliance and Mr. Nielsen motioned to have Mr. Oborn do an Order to Show Cause or Surrender, seconded by Ms. Feinauer. The motion carried unanimously.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Board reviewed the application and documents submitted by Mr. Danley, expressing concerns about the type of education he has documented. The Board noted his Nevada License is current until 2009.

Mr. Danley presented himself to the Board. Dr. Harper conducted the interview. Mr. Danley reviewed with the Board his education and work history noting he started as a Mental Health Technician when he obtained a Bachelors Degree, from Thomas Edison College, then obtained a Masters Degree, from Norwich University, has also attended Las Vegas University and Reno University. Mr. Danley stated he has also taken marriage and family therapy classes and is currently in the Doctoral program in California. He passed the National Marriage and Family exam and became nationally certified as a Marriage and Family Therapist. The Board talked with Mr. Danley in detail and reviewed the additional documents, education, continuing education, employee evaluations and certifications, Mr. Danley brought with him. Dr. Valentine motioned to accept Larry Danley's

Dr. Valentine motioned to accept Larry Danley' application by endorsement, seconded by Ms. Feinauer. The motion carried unanimously.

## **APPLICATIONS:**

James B. Nelson, application review

Dr. Harper reviewed the application with the Board, noting it was not apparent from the transcript if their hours are quarter or semester. Dr. Harper stated he contacted the Bastyr University and was advised they are on quarter hours. Dr. Harper reviewed the transcripts in detail and noted he was short hours in

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several areas. Mr. Nelson will need to document with a syllabus, noting the program is non-accredited. After a brief discussion, the Board stated the hours submitted do not qualify him for an extern license. Mr. Oborn will advise Mr. Nelson.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter requesting additional supervisees

Dr. Harper read the letter from Dr. Alan Springer requesting to increase the number of individuals he is currently supervising to six (6). The Board expressed several concerns, ie the supervisor is responsible for the entire case load of all supervisees as well as his own case load. After further discussion Ms. Feinauer motioned to approve the increase to four (4) supervisees with condition if the case loads increase, Dr. Springer will report to the Board, seconded by Mr. Nielsen. The motion carried unanimously.

Continuing Education Correspondence

The Board briefly reviewed the information, noting the Board usually does not approve continuing education and felt it did not want to change this policy.

2008 Board Meeting Schedule

The Board noted the following dates for the 2008 Board meeting schedule: September 12 and December 12, 2008.

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:** 

June 13, 2008

**ADJOURN:** 

The time is 11:15 A.M. and the Board meeting is adjourned.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

June 13, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) James M. Harper

Chairperson, Utah Marriage and Family Therapy

Licensing Board

April 1, 2008

(ss) Richard Obron

Date Approved

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &

**Professional Licensing**